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Interview Summary

Application No.
09/320,472

Applicant
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Examiner
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Alan Mathews

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(2) Mr. Costantino

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Date of Interview Aug 31, 2001

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: All the independent claims currently in the application and proposed new claims 103 and 113

Identification of prior art discussed:

Japanese patent document 61-91662 and U. S. Patents to Kimura, Kawashima et al, and Takahashi and a new referee Tounai et al (12a-ZF-6)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant discussed a proposed amendment to the claims. Applicant argued that the references don't disclose the claimed range of 1/3 to 2/3 for the annular illumination ratio. Applicant further argued that the references do not disclose structure for changing or varying the illumination ratio. The Examiner needs further search and consideration to make a determination of patentability.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.